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PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL UNDER RULE 102 (c) In the United States Patent and Trademark Office

In re Application of: Reitano, C. Filing Date: August 15, 2003
For: Quartering Pill Splitter
Docket No. VPL-003
Serial No. 10/604,784

Commissioner for Patents and Trademarks P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

Petition to Make Special Under 37 C.F.R. Sec. 1.102 (c)

Dear Sir

This is a Petition to Make Special the above-identified patent application. The basis for this petition is that the applicant is over sixty-five years of age.

In accordance with MPEP 708.02 IV, a copy of applicant's birth certificate is attached. Please note that the applicant's legal given name is Carmelo, but he uses the Anglicized version "Carmen" as a matter of general practice, and the application is being prosecuted under the name Carmen Reitano.

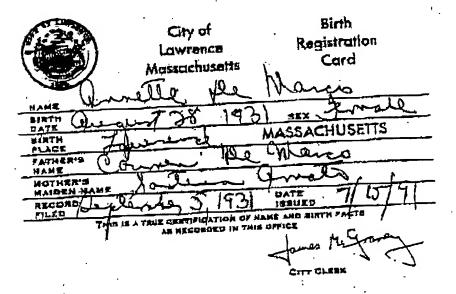
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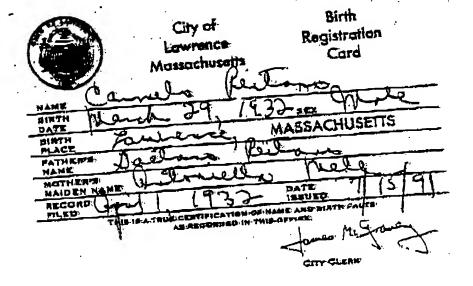
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Application Serial No. 10/604,784 Reitano, Carmen

VPL-003 Title: Quartering Pill Splitter

Dear Ms. Magha: Thank you for the opportunity to speak with you regarding our client's Petition to Make Special. I enclose a copy of the original fax transmission dated 9/25/03 and the Auto-Reply receipt of same date.

Any assistance you can provide in matching this Petition with the application is appreciated.

Trankyon!
Linda Johnson
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